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Application of: GIRIDHAR D. MANDYAM, ZHIGANG RONG, AND LIN MA  
For : APPARATUS, AND ASSOCIATED METHOD, FOR ALLOCATING POWER  
LEVELS OF BEST EFFORT COMMUNICATION SIGNALS IN A CDMA  
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
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In response to the Office action dated 30 July 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.



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Sir:

In re: U.S. Serial No. 09/966,868  
Inventors: Giridhar D. Mandyam, et al.  
Title: **APPARATUS, AND ASSOCIATED METHOD, FOR  
ALLOCATING POWER LEVELS OF BEST-EFFORT  
COMMUNICATION SIGNALS IN A CDMA COMMUNICATION  
SYSTEM**

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